

COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE

Commission Meeting

February 27, 2015

Location: Conference Room, SC Commission on Indigent Defense, 1330 Lady Street, Columbia, S.C.

Attending Members: Doug Strickler, Ashlin Potterfield, Jack Howle, Walker Wilcox, Hon. Edward Cottingham, Ashley Pennington, Yvonne Murray-Boyles. Attending Staff: Patton Adams, Hugh Ryan, Lisa Campbell, Boyd Young and Zach Merritt.

There being a quorum and in the absence of the chair and vice-chair, Commissioner Strickler moved to nominate Commission Pennington as Chair Pro Tem. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cottingham and passed unanimously.

Chair Pro Tem Pennington called the meeting to order.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2014. The motion was seconded and passed.

The next commission meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2015.

Budget Update: Mr. Adams provided an update on the status of the 2016 Budget.

Training and Professional Development: Public Defender Training 102 will be conducted March 3rd – 9th in Columbia followed by Public Defender Training 103 to be held in Beaufort during the last week of April, 2015. Zach Merritt and Boyd Young provided the agenda and details about the training. Commissioner Strickler asked about future plans for training for experienced public defenders. Mr. Merritt stated future training will encompass juvenile representation and training in other specific areas.

Holistic Representation: Copies of the study provided by USC College of Social Work are available on request.

National Defender Leadership Conference: This event will be held at USC Law School during the first week of June. Circuit Public Defenders and public defenders in a leadership role are encouraged to attend.

SC Public Defender Investigator Association Conference: The 9th annual conference is scheduled for March 11th – 13th.

The Chair asked for further business and there being none, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Campbell
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